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Idaho Food Size Trout Sales Increased in 2009

Idaho food size trout (trout 12 inches and longer) sales during 2009 totaled \$36.0 million, up 3 percent from the \$35.0 million in 2008, according to the National Agricultural Statistics Service. The number of food size fish sold was 29.8 million, up 8 percent from the 27.6 million sold a year ago. Total pounds sold in 2009 were 35.6 million pounds, compared to 35.4 million pounds in 2008. Average price per pound for food size trout was \$1.01, up from \$0.99 in 2008.

The number of trout 12 inches and longer sold in the United States during 2009 totaled 41.1 million fish, up 2 percent from the previous year. The average price per pound was \$1.40, up 2 cents from 2008. The value of sales for the 2009 marketing year was 68.6 million dollars, down 5 percent from 2008. For trout 12 inches or longer 62 percent were sold to processors and 19 percent were sold to fee and recreational fishing establishments.

The total value of fish sales received by trout growers in the United States totaled 76.9 million dollars for 2009, a decrease of 4 percent from 2008. Idaho accounted for 47 percent of the total value of fish sold.